



Mrs. America and her Defense Role

(EDITOR'S NOTE: National Defense touches every home, every citizen, and as the huge program expands in coming months, its effects will be strongly felt in everyday life. This column, based on official government information and prepared by the Office for Emergency Management, shows how defense will affect Mrs. America and her home.)

When women really begin to feel the pinch of defense shortages, metal products will be what they miss most. The lack of hooks and eyes and zippers, for instance, will make definite fashion changes, with designers devising new kinds of fastenings. Metal buttons too must be replaced, and pins and needles are already being guarded by dress-makers. Lipstick containers are another feminine necessity for which a substitute must be found. The wire shortage not only makes it hard for beauty shop operators who need hairpins, but florists are also having trouble getting wire for corsages and floral arrangements.

In making air-raid precautions, it's a good idea to tape your windows. But don't use surgical adhesive tape, the material you probably think of first for this purpose. Adhesive tape is a highly refined product containing three critical materials needed for defense—rubber, zinc, and cloth. Each average roll contains about 1/200th of a pound of rubber, and obviously, it should be conserved for surgical dressings. Ordinary gum, or Scotch tape will serve just as efficiently for the windows.

One of the national scandals of the last world war was the hoarding and profiteering in sugar. This time, it will be different. The Government through the Office of Price Administration, has taken quick action to stabilize wholesale prices and control excessive purchases. The responsibility for keeping sugar at pre-war prices, therefore, rests with the retailers—and the housewives of America. If the corner grocer continues to raise sugar prices, he is doing so without economic basis, and housewives should protest not only to him, but to the Office of Price Administration.

Most rooms are overheated. As a means of fuel conservation, economy, and health protection, the Consumer Division of the defense program gives a few tips on proper home heating: Keep your room temperature about 70 degrees (any higher is unhealthy). Have your heating system tested for efficiency by an expert. Keep flues and heating surfaces free from soot. Cement air leaks around the heating chamber.

You can expect new furniture paints, varnishes, and lacquers to be different from those you've been used to. They will be made according to 1920 formulas and won't wear as well as those made by more modern methods. This is because the chemicals used to produce the highly protective finishes are needed for explosives, camouflage paints, and as protective paints for mechanized army equipment. Therefore, defense will get the best materials—and house-holders must be prepared to have new furniture stain or chip sooner than usual.

America's sheep flocks will be bigger this year than ever before. But since the United States produces only about half of its own wool needs, this bumper crop will meet only the military demands of 1942. This means that wool blankets, dress yardage, in fact all wool for civilian needs, although not yet in the shortage class, will be more scarce during the coming year and available in fewer varieties.

As housewives all over the nation know, scrap metals such as aluminum, steel, and copper are among the essential materials to be conserved for defense. But what about tin cans? The answer is "not yet." Although the tin shortage may become one of the most serious, there are not yet enough facilities for reclaiming old tin. In the meantime, expect substantial reductions in the use of tin containers for such quickly-used food items as coffee and shortening and personal products such as talcum powder.

Schools to get Extra Holidays Next Month

Plans for observances of Lincoln's birthday and Washington's birthday in every school in the county are under preparation. Feb. 12 and 22 will be school holidays for the first time this year, by action of the 1941 Legislature. Exercises are being scheduled for February 11 and 20, since Washington's birthday fall on a Sunday. Monday, Feb. 23, will be a school holiday.

New Film Star



Fifteen-year-old Dolores Moran, beauty queen, officially became movie actress when Los Angeles court approved her contract with Warner Bros. Studio.

After the blackout curtains are up, the next home precaution should be a check-up of the medicine cabinet. There are certain basic items that should be there. The official Government list includes: tannic acid jelly for burns, something to relieve pain (such as aspirin), a remedy for faintness (spirits of ammonia), plenty of baking soda to be used as an emetic or relief for indigestion, a mild laxative, bandages, sterile gauze in sealed packages, adhesive tape, a thermometer, a pair of scissors, and a pair of tweezers.

One of these days when you go to buy a new stainless steel paring knife, you may not be able to get one. The reason is chromium, an essential material in the manufacture of stainless steel. More than 90 per cent of it must be imported, most of it coming from Africa, the Philippines, and Turkey. Although domestic production has increased greatly since the war, every available supply must go to defense—and housewives who want new stainless steel sinks or carving knives must wait.

P. T. A. Council Honors Founders

The Lomita-San Pedro Council, P. T. A. met today at the Point Fermin school and presented a Founders' Day skit. All past presidents were special guests. Collections were taken for March of Dimes and Founders' Day. Local associations participating were Fern Ave., Harbor City, Lomita Elementary, Orange St., Torrance Elementary, and WALTERIA.

TRIO REBEKAHS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS AT LOMITA

Before an audience which filled the I.O.O.F. hall, Trio Rebekah lodge installed officers for the ensuing six months last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Emma Forsyth, installed as noble grand, and Mrs. Esther Hanson, vice grand, carried beautiful arm bouquets while the other officers wore corsages of gardenias and rosebuds.

Youth May Aid Civilian Defense Work

Youths between 9 and 25 years old in this community may offer their services in national defense work and help their older brothers and sisters under a voluntary registration plan for the youth of the county which started last Saturday morning. They may do whatever they want—whether it be plant and care for vegetable gardens, act as nurses' aids or, for the older youths, act as auxiliary firemen. Registration will continue for another week and activities will be organized into three age groups, 9 to 12 years, 12 to 18 years and 18 to 25 years.

All schools are planning some kind of defense programs, and youths between 9 and 12 who wish to participate in defense activities are urged to do so in schools. Youths between 12 and 18 may enroll to salvage materials needed for defense, study first-aid, home nursing, child care and safety, and make splints for the Red Cross, knit or sew for the Red Cross, learn to cook to conserve food, plant gardens, and act as junior air raid wardens at home or at church or at school if needed. Older youths, 19 to 25, may assist in cooking and serving food in emergency hotels for evacuees, act as clerks for Defense Councils, assist nurses, be messengers, act as auxiliary firemen or air raid wardens if they are over 21.

Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, director of the fish and wildlife service, estimates America's annual consumption of wild game and fish is 4,625,000,000 pounds and in an emergency could be increased to 6,000,000,000 pounds.

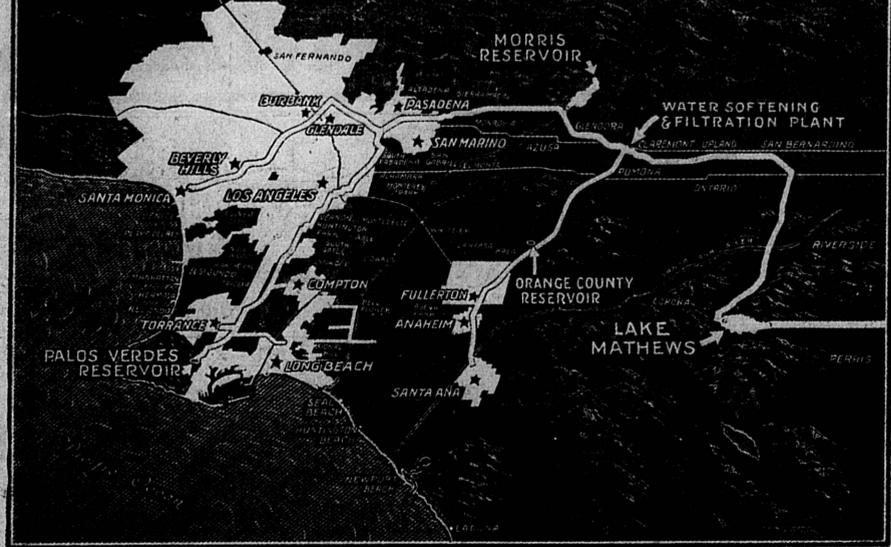
State Picnic-Reunions

KANSAS... All former and visiting Kansans are invited to the mid-winter picnic Thursday, Jan. 29, at Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles.

OHIO... The annual winter picnic of all former Ohians will be held Saturday Jan. 31, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles.

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Colorado River Aqueduct In Vital War Service TRANSFERRED



Now and where the great Colorado River Aqueduct has made available just in time an abundant and dependable supply of water to sustain and protect the homes, war industries and military establishments within the thirteen cities of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California graphically is revealed by the above picture map. Shown in white are the 610 square miles of territory covered by the thirteen District cities—an area where ample supplies of water under pressure now constantly are available to support extraordinary war industrial development as well as to encourage normal peace-time growth.

In white also is shown the distribution system of the Aqueduct, including four close-in reservoirs which now hold in

reserve storage enough water to meet the normal requirements of all of the thirteen District cities for more than five months, even though the water supplies from all other sources were to be interrupted. In addition, the Aqueduct itself now is able constantly to supply more than 2,000,000 persons.

After 18 years of planning and building, the Aqueduct was completed and placed in service a number of months ago while men and materials were still available, and just ahead of the big jump in construction costs.

The thirteen cities of the Metropolitan Water District are Los Angeles, Anaheim, Beverly Hills, Burbank, Compton, Fullerton, Glendale, Long Beach, Pasadena, San Marino, Santa Ana, Santa Monica and Torrance.

CARS OF AGE
Fifty-five per cent of private automobiles used by workers to get to their jobs are more than four years old.

SLOW BUT SURE
International respect for the United States is pretty well evidenced by the overwhelming number of small, poorly defended countries which want to be allied with it.

THEY NEED 'EM
"Take them with our compliments; they are yours. Use them and send for more!" This message could, appropriately, accompany all Uncle Sam's lend lease consignments.

AND ALSO ALERTNESS
Failure of Americans to anticipate the treachery of Japan is a tribute to their optimism and their trust. Their Yankee caution and discernment alone suffered in reputation.

English doctors have substituted potatoes for sugar as part of the insulin "shock" treatment of war neuroses, commonly called "shell shock."

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt says two-thirds of the jobs in defense industries can be done by women.

With imports cut off from France and Italy, Bermuda may become the big supplier of perfume in this hemisphere.

The United States birth rate is increasing again, statistics show. A year ago the rate was declining.



MRS. NATALIE ROSS
Mrs. Natalie Ross, principal of the WALTERIA school for nearly three years, is now in charge of both schools at Terminal Island. Mrs. Margaret Divizio, of the Visual Education department of the city schools, succeeds Mrs. Ross as principal of the local school.

Mrs. Ross was honored by a farewell party and handkerchief shower on Friday when a group of teachers and members of the P.T.A. board entertained at the school. Table decorations were in the Parent Teachers colors, blue and gold, and jello, whipped cream, cake and coffee were served.

Those present were Mesdames Effie Palmer, Goodale, Stonecker, Murray, Martin, Gouker, Ferguson, Minor, Butterfield, Clara Lund, Deurlo, Mowry, Collins, Miss Jackson, Mr. Mowry and Mrs. Ross.

MOST IN U. S.
Over 74 per cent of all the registered automobiles in the world are owned and operated in the United States. Of the 1941 world total of 45,500,000, approximately 33,725,000 are in this country. Forty-five of the 48 states require drivers' licenses.

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